

Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

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October 8, 2008

Blue Adobe Project
Dr. Shari Popen, Charter Representative
201 S. Wilmot Rd.
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RE: Notification of first time noncompliance with fingerprinting requirements under A.R.S. § 15-185.I

HAND DELIVERED TO SCHOOL

Dear Dr. Popen:

On October 8, 2008, staff of the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools ("Board") conducted a site visit to Sky Islands. During this visit, staff reviewed the school's compliance with fingerprinting requirements as prescribed in A.R.S. § 15-183.C.4 and A.R.S. § 15-512.

The school could not provide valid fingerprint clearance cards in accordance with A.R.S. § 15-183.C.4 for the following:

Marcia Trevino

Kyle Williams

The school could not provide evidence of compliance with A.R.S. § 15-183.C.4 or § 15-512, as applicable, for the following personnel:

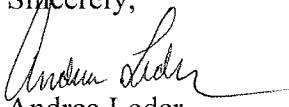
A.R.S. § 15-185.I (Laws 2007, 1st Reg. Sess., ch. 6) grants the Board the authority to impose a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 per occurrence if a charter school fails to comply with the fingerprinting requirements prescribed in A.R.S. § 15-183.C.4 or A.R.S. § 15-512, as applicable. This law took effect on September 19, 2007.

This letter serves as written notice for civil penalty purposes under A.R.S. § 15-185.I of your school's first time failure to comply with statutory fingerprinting requirements. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-185.I, your school has 48 hours from the receipt of this notification to provide proof to the Board's office that an application for the appropriate fingerprint check as required by either A.R.S. § 15-183.C.4 or A.R.S. § 15-512 has been received by the Arizona Department of Public Safety for each individual listed above and currently employed at your school. At its meeting on November 21, 2008, the Board will determine whether the school has failed to comply with statutory fingerprinting requirements, whether the school's noncompliance with statutory fingerprinting requirements is a first time occurrence, whether the school has demonstrated compliance with the requirements of A.R.S. § 15-185.I within 48 hours of written notification, and whether a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 per occurrence will be imposed. Based on the violations noted above, the civil penalty could be as much as \$ 2000.00.

Provided with this letter are copies of A.R.S. § 15-185.I (Laws 2007, 1st Reg. Sess., ch. 6) and the Board's Policy Statement on Civil Penalties for Fingerprinting Violations.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (602) 364-3080.

Sincerely,



Andrea Leder

Government & Financial Services Manager

The signatures and information below satisfy the requirements of the Board in A.R.S. § 15-185.I, to provide written notification identifying the date of the deadline by which your school must provide proof of compliance with statutory fingerprinting requirements.



ASBCS Staff Signature

10/8/08
Date

12:00 a.m. / (p.m.)
Time



School Representative Signature

10/8/08
Date

12 noon a.m. / (p.m.)
Time

BASED ON THE DATE AND TIME STATED ABOVE, YOUR 48-HOUR DEADLINE TO PROVIDE PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTORY FINGERPRINTING REQUIREMENTS AS STATED IN A.R.S. § 15-185.I AND TO AVOID CIVIL PENALTIES IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2008 BY 12:00 A.M. / (P.M.)